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House Resolution No. 2266

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on January 2, 1902, into the family of Lewis Everett and Mary Magdalen Boismunue of West End, Illinois, Nellie B. Linson will soon renew her special status as a Missouri Centenarian by celebrating her One Hundred Third Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends at Mels Diner on May 7, 2005; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, the former Nellie Boismunue established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to Henry Junice Linson who loved and cherished her with all of his heart; and

Whereas, the marital union of Nellie and Henry Linson was blessed with wonderful children, Tula Mae Langford, Reta Paulene Allene Walker, Mary Elizabeth Baumann, Wilma Pearl Allbritton, Donald Ray Dean Linson, Clara Bell Stilts, Shirley Jean Linson, and the late Junice Lee Linson, Junior Lee Linson, Raymond Leonard Linson, Claude Lesley Linson, and John Carrol Linson; thirty-two grandchildren; fifty-nine great-grandchildren; and forty-eight great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, recipient of the 1988 Mother of the Year Award, Nellie Linson had the distinct pleasure of having her husband and all four sons at different times serve in the military and return home safe and sound; and

Whereas, Nellie Linson is the only living Charter Member of Life Chapel Assembly of God Church, and she still attends Egypt Community Church where her husband served as superintendent; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Nellie Linson enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the One Hundred Third Birthday of Nellie Linson and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Nellie Linson of Puxico, Missouri.

| Offered by | |
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| · | Representative Billy Pat Wright |
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| third Gener the above is | on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety ral Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that is a true and correct copy of House Resolution adopted April 18, 2005. |
| Rod Jetton, | Speaker |
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